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TO AMEMBASSY RABAT IMMEDIATE

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EYES ONLY FOR ASST SECY ATHERTON

FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 10599 ACTION SECSTATE

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S E C R E T CAIRO 10599

EXDIS HANDLE AS NODIS

FOR UNDER SECRETARY SISCO FROM CHARGE

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR IS EG

SUBJECT: ISRAELI CARGO THROUGH SUEZ CANAL

1. I CALLED FAHMY OCT 21 P.M. IN HIS OFFICE TO  
ASK IF HE WOULD RECONSIDER HIS POSITION AND ALLOW  
NETA TO TRANSIT SUEZ CANAL WITHOUT IMPEDIMENT. HIS  
ANSWER WAS DEFINITELY NO.

2. I THEN TRIED OUT AS OUR SUGGESTION, PROPOSAL TO  
OFFLOAD SOUTH AFRICAN CARGO AT ELATH, TAKE ON OTHER

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CARGO AND PROCEED TO TRANSIT CANAL. FAHMY'S

RESPONSE WAS "NO PROBLEM". HE ASKED WHEN  
THIS WOULD TAKE PLACE. I INDICATED THAT, IF THIS  
PROCEDURE WERE FOLLOWED, THERE WOULD BE SOME DELAY  
IN TRANSIT.

3. I TOLD HIM I WOULD REPORT HIS POSITIVE REACTION  
TO WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY. HE ASKED THAT HE BE INFORMED  
AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE WHETHER SUGGESTED PROCEDURE  
WOULD BE FOLLOWED OR IF NETA WOULD PROCEED ON  
ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED COURSE. IF THE LATTER, HER  
SOUTH AFRICAN CARGO WOULD BE CONFISCATED.

4. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT PASS USDEL SECRETARY.  
MAESTRONE UNQTE  
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